



Legislation Text

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MEMORANDUM

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: Denise Pomeroy, Health Services Director

DATE: March 19, 2019

SUBJECT: Approve Long Distance Travel for Dean Eichelmann, and Christine Hannigan to St. Louis, MO from March 24, 2019 through March 30, 2019 to attend the Preparedness Summit, hosted by National Association of County and City Health Officials.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Dean Eichelmann, Program Coordinator for the Health Services Department, Emergency Preparedness Programs including; Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP), Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP), Pandemic Flu (ST-Pan) and Medical Reserve Core (MRC), and Christine Hannigan, Health Program Support Specialist have been invited to attend the 2019 Preparedness Summit.

This year, National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) will be hosting the 2019 Preparedness Summit from March 25 - 29, 2019 at America's Center Convention Complex in St. Louis, MO. The Preparedness Summit is a unique learning and networking opportunity for emergency preparedness officials and their partners to share perspectives and engage in dialogue on key public health preparedness issues. In an ever-changing threat environment, preparedness professionals must have the knowledge, resources, and relationships necessary to prepare for and respond to public health emergencies.

By participating in the 2019 Preparedness Summit, Dean and Christine will have an opportunity to:

- Interact with leaders in the industry and expand their professional network and raise our agency's profile in the public health preparedness space;
- Share our agency's best practices and expertise with colleagues from the healthcare and emergency management and public health preparedness fields to contribute to the advancement of our nation's health security;

- Build partnerships with these life-saving industries to strengthen our agency's capacity in the face of emerging threats;
- Advance their creative-thinking skillset to find new ways to prepare for, respond to, and recover from threats like pandemic diseases, natural disasters, active shooter emergencies, and cybersecurity threats;
- Participates in interactive training and take away innovative solutions and practical strategies to meet the requirement of the evolving threat environment.

Travel and associated costs, including airfare, meals, airline baggage fees, ground transportation, hotel and airport parking are estimated to total of \$9,045 for both.

The cost of this training has been budget and approved by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) grant. PHEP through CDPH awarded the grant amount of \$221,363 for FY18/19 to the Department Health Services.

As Health Services Director, I fully support Dean and Christine's attendance to this important training.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for long distance travel.

FISCAL IMPACT: ___ None ___ Budgeted ___ Non-Budgeted

Estimated Cost:

Amount Budgeted: \$9,045.00

Additional Requested: -0-

Annual Cost (if planned for future years):

FISCAL IMPACT (Narrative): None

STAFFING IMPACT (if applicable): None

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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